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In Re Application of : July 12, 2004
H. Droege, et al : Group Art No.: 2134
Serial No. 09/620,185 : Examiner: A. Nalvan
Filed: July 20, 2000 : IBM Corporation
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Title: SECURE PERSONALIZATION
OF CHIP CARDS

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Commissioner for Patents
Sir:

Applicant hereby petitions for an extension of time for response for a period of two months. The period for response to the Office Action dated February 10, 2004 for the above-identified patent application will now expire on July 12, 2004, since the 10th of July fell on a Saturday.

A check in the amount of \$420.00 is enclosed for the two month extension.

Respectfully submitted,
H. Droege, et al

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